

YMCA in Navarre, where he was well-liked by staff and patrons.

Matthew was a beloved member of his community. He is survived by his loving family, mother, Kathleen; father, Kenneth; brother, Michael; grandparents, Bob and Margaret Dawson; five aunts; four uncles; and many cousins. He is also survived by his four dogs, Spartacus, Patton, Captain, and Goldie.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am privileged to honor the life of Private First Class Matthew Christopher Colin for his selfless service and sacrifice in defense of our Nation. My wife Vicki and I offer our prayers for his entire family. He will be truly missed by all.

IN MEMORY OF DR. SCOTT
ALEXANDER MARSHALL

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a great leader, professor and advisor, Dr. Scott Alexander Marshall. His passing is a great loss to his family and the education community.

Although he isn't a native Kentuckian, Dr. Marshall immediately offered his expertise to enhance the field of education in our rural region of southern and eastern Kentucky. He made a difference in the lives of hundreds of college students and took great pride in their success. In fact, he was a strong advocate and supporter of Phi Theta Kappa, the official national honor society for two-year colleges.

Scott received his M.S., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Alabama. He retired after 33 years of teaching Business and Economics at Jefferson State Community College in Birmingham, Alabama. After moving to Somerset, Kentucky in 2000, he continued as an Adjunct Professor of Economics at Eastern Kentucky University.

He was involved in numerous civic and political activities, serving as a member of the Adanta Board of Directors and Co-Chair of the Finance Committee. He also was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Somerset where he served as an Elder and Co-Chair of the Worship Committee.

Dr. Marshall leaves behind a devoted family: his loving wife, Dr. Jo Grimes Marshall; their children, Kristin Marshall Henderson and Dr. Scott Alexander Marshall, Jr., along with four grandsons. On behalf of my wife Cynthia and myself, I want to extend our deepest heartfelt sympathies to the Marshall family.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring a dear friend and champion for community colleges, the late Dr. Scott Alexander Marshall.

HONORING EMPLOYEES OF THE
IDAHO NATIONAL LABORATORY

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize seven employees of the Idaho Na-

tional Lab who recently received awards from Secretary of Energy, Steven Chu, for their assistance to the people of Japan in dealing with the disaster caused by the recent earthquake and tsunami and for their efforts to secure enough special nuclear material to produce almost 800 nuclear weapons.

Eight months ago a devastating disaster struck Japan when a massive earthquake and unprecedented tsunami struck the island nation, killing over 16,000 people and causing a serious reactor accident. Recovery was complicated by a near total destruction of the surrounding transportation infrastructure. At the greatest time of need the Idaho National Laboratory offered its assistance, which was gratefully accepted by the people of Japan. INL employees Doug Burns, Cal Christensen, Betsy Connell, Harold McFarlane, Joy Rempel and Derek Wadsworth assisted by assessing the damage in near real time, providing technical assistance and coordinating the delivery of specialized equipment to assist in controlling the radiological effects.

Eric Howden led a 14 year program to secure ten tons of highly enriched uranium and three tons of plutonium from Kazakhstan. These efforts have resulted in relocating enough fissile material to produce almost 800 nuclear weapons at a time when there was great turmoil in the region and an emerging international terrorist threat.

I am proud to represent the Idaho National Lab, which has through its history been the worldwide leader in advancing the safe and peaceful use of nuclear energy. As the worldwide demand for energy and environmental concerns increase, the responsible use of nuclear power will continue to grow. As it does, the dedicated employees of the Idaho National Lab will continue their efforts to improve the impressive safety record of nuclear power and promote technologies that prevent future accidents and reduce the threat of nuclear weapons from falling into the wrong hands.

LEMONT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #1599

HON. JUDY BIGGERT

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Mrs. BIGGERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Lemont Knights of Columbus Council #1599 for 100 years of civic service.

On December 10, 1911 the Lemont Knights of Columbus Council #1599 was chartered. Although the original charter members have all passed, their vision of Service to God, church, and country is still the primary goal of the Lemont Knights of Columbus. In pursuit of achieving this goal, the Lemont Knights of Columbus have sent its members to both World Wars, Korea, Vietnam and other armed conflicts—all while establishing and maintaining numerous civic service programs and projects.

Over the past 100 years, the Lemont Knights have established scholarship programs, food pantry drives, natural disaster relief efforts, and annually participates in the national "Tootsie Roll" day—a fundraiser that generates thousands of dollars each year for the mentally disabled in Lemont.

The Lemont Knights have worked very hard to become a foundation of service in my con-

gressional district. I would like to join my colleagues in congratulating the Lemont Knights of Columbus Council #1599 for 100 years of outstanding service to the community.

PROPOSING A BALANCED BUDGET
AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

SPEECH OF

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 17, 2011

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I rise in strong opposition to H.J. Res. 2, legislation that would have a devastating effect on the U.S. economy, national security and the well-being of millions of Minnesota families and businesses.

A constitutional amendment that requires Congress to balance the federal budget every year—regardless of economic conditions—would severely damage the U.S. economy. Such a requirement would force Congress to cut spending, raise taxes or both, even when the economy is in recession. That is the exact opposite of what economists recommend in order to escape recession and stabilize a weak economy.

According to new analysis by Macroeconomic Advisers—one of the nation's pre-eminent private economic forecasting firms—a balanced budget amendment would destroy millions of American jobs. Had a balanced budget amendment been in effect today, their analysis concluded that "the effect on the economy would be catastrophic." Assuming the Republicans used spending cuts instead of tax increases to balance the budget this year, the cuts would have totaled approximately \$1.5 trillion. Macroeconomic Advisors determined cuts of this magnitude would throw 15 million more Americans out of work, double the unemployment rate from 9 percent to approximately 18 percent, and cause the economy to shrink by 17 percent instead of growing by an expected 2 percent.

What House Republicans are not telling the American people is that Congress has the opportunity to propose and pass a balanced budget each year. House Budget Committee Chairman PAUL RYAN could have proposed a balanced budget this year—fiscal year 2012—but he did not. The budget proposed by House Republicans delivers another tax cut windfall for America's wealthiest individuals by making the Bush-era tax cuts permanent. To make matters worse, their budget preserves expensive tax breaks to oil companies and corporations shipping jobs overseas. Instead of proposing a fiscal year 2012 budget that puts us on a more sustainable fiscal path, House Republicans chose to continue the same reckless tax policies that have added trillions to our national debt.

In times of recession and weak economic growth, Congress needs the ability to assist struggling families with unemployment insurance and to promote economic recovery by sustaining demand through investments in areas such as transportation infrastructure. In a strong U.S. economy, Congress has the responsibility to reduce expenditures and balance the budget as was done in 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001 under President Clinton.

Instead of spending two days debating this purely political measure, the House should be focused on debating and passing legislation to create American jobs—including President Obama's American Jobs Act.

I urge my colleagues to join me—and 270 national organizations including AARP, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Easter Seals, AFL-CIO, and the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare—in strongly opposing H.J. Res. 2.

A TRIBUTE TO LYNN BREEDLOVE

HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of Lynn Breedlove, a disability advocate, community activist, leader on disability rights and change agent. After 31 years of service, Mr. Breedlove, Executive Director of Disability Rights Wisconsin (DRW), formerly Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy, has announced his retirement effective at the end of December 2011.

Disability Rights Wisconsin is a state-wide resource for individuals, families, service professionals, elected officials, government agencies and others concerned with disability issues and systems change. This private non-profit group is part of the federally mandated national system of disability protection and advocacy agencies across the United States established to ensure the rights of individuals with disabilities.

Lynn Breedlove has been an extraordinary leader of DRW, growing the agency from a staff of five in a small Madison office with a budget of \$160,000 to an agency with a staff of 65 in three offices—Madison, Milwaukee, and Rice Lake—and a budget of over \$5.5 million.

The list of DRW accomplishments during Lynn's tenure is impressive and includes involvement during the inception and implementation of the life changing Community Options Program, COP, Community Integration Program, CIP, and making strong lasting partnerships with agencies serving the disabled, aging and those needing long term services. DRW helps people across Wisconsin gain access to services and opportunity through advocacy and legal expertise. Mr. Breedlove and DRW regularly challenged systems and society to create positive change and improve the lives of people with disabilities.

Lynn Breedlove has served on a variety of boards at the local, state and national levels including: President of the National Disability Rights Network, Co-Chair of Survival Coalition of Wisconsin Disability Organizations, and Member of Wisconsin's Long Term Care Council. He has also been the recipient of numerous awards as a result of his deep passion for disability and other civil rights, and his commitment to the inclusion of people with disabilities as full partners in society.

People with disabilities and their families, along with all citizens throughout Wisconsin are deeply indebted to Lynn Breedlove for his years of dedicated service. I am proud to call Lynn my friend and for the privilege of having the opportunity to work with him and the DRW staff on legislation to better the lives of Wis-

consin citizens. I wish Lynn well in retirement and the next stage of his career. We will all miss this "treasure of Wisconsin" and Lynn's strong commitment "to do what is right for the people."

TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH M. SANZARI

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to all to your attention the deeds of an outstanding American and citizen of New Jersey, Joseph M. Sanzari who will be recognized on Saturday, November 19, 2011, by D.A.R.E. NJ for his many years of service to his community and as a respected individual within the great state of New Jersey.

Joe was born in Hackensack, NJ, on February 28, 1946. He was raised in Carlstadt and began learning the ins-and-outs of the construction industry at the early age of 12. He has brought innovation and expertise to this field, specializing in the construction of heavy highways, roads and bridges.

Joe has been a guiding figure for his family as well as those around him. He has been a member of many distinguished counsels in our community. His philanthropic endeavors have benefitted countless people.

Joseph Sanzari is a proud member of numerous civic and cultural organizations, sharing his unique brand of energy and talents on both a local and state level. Mr. Sanzari is currently Chairman of Hackensack University Medical Center, a member of the Board of Trustees for Hillcrest Health Service System, Inc., and a proud member of the Hackensack University Medical Center Foundation. Joe also serves as Vice Chairman on the board of the Foundation for Free Enterprises. He was a former Chairman of the Bergen County Economic Development Corporation and former commissioner of the Palisades Interstate Parkway.

As the President of Joseph M. Sanzari Inc., Joe has been involved in major construction work on the New Jersey Turnpike and New Jersey Department of Transportation highways, roads and bridges in an ongoing joint venture with J. Fletcher Creamer & Sons also known as Creamer-Sanzari. Among many of their great accomplishments, Creamer-Sanzari was responsible for the reconstruction of the Route 4 and 17 overpasses, the largest highway project in the State of New Jersey. Under Joe's leadership, this project was completed eighteen months ahead of schedule. Creamer-Sanzari was recognized by Engineering News as one of the top 25 contractors in the country.

One of the many organizations Joe is passionate about is Drugs Awareness Resistance and Education or D.A.R.E. The D.A.R.E. program works with local law enforcement and schools to bring fun and educational material about the personal and social consequences of substance abuse and violence. D.A.R.E. NJ has been a pillar in the community for raising awareness and educating our youth in the dangerous perils of drug abuse and violence.

Joe is a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. His family consists of his wife Donna, son Joseph Jr., daughters Theresa,

JoAnn, and Tina, and six grandchildren. Joseph Sanzari exemplifies the sound fundamental characteristics of an extraordinary individual who is being honored by D.A.R.E. NJ for his enormous contributions to the great State of New Jersey.

The job of a United States Congressman involves so much that is rewarding, yet nothing compares to working with and recognizing the efforts of dedicated individuals like Joseph M. Sanzari. I am lucky enough to be able to call a man like him my friend.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join our colleagues, Joe's wife Donna, their family and friends, the members of the D.A.R.E. NJ and me in recognizing Joseph M. Sanzari's outstanding character and service to his community.

IN HONOR OF DR. ANTHONY O. PARKER

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding academic, college administrator, education expert, community leader and good friend to me and the community of Albany, Georgia—Dr. Anthony O. Parker. On Monday, November 21, 2011, the administration at Albany Technical College, the institution of higher learning where Dr. Parker currently serves as President, paid tribute to him for his years of dedicated service to the college by having the school's library named in his honor.

Throughout his successful career in the higher education field, Dr. Parker has had a profoundly positive impact on the lives of thousands of college students. One of the reasons he has been able to triumphantly guide the academic careers of so many students, is due in part to the impressive endeavors he was able to accomplish as a young collegiate scholar and graduate student.

Dr. Parker's post-secondary academic career began at South Carolina State College in Orangeburg, South Carolina where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting. He commenced his graduate studies at Augusta State University where he obtained an Educational Specialist degree in Education Administration. Additionally, he later would go on to receive his Ph.D. in Higher Education from the University of South Carolina in Columbia, South Carolina.

Over the course of his professional career in academia, Dr. Parker has successfully served in a multitude of roles in which he has progressively advanced the intellectual aptitude and social development skills of collegiate students. As Vice President of Student Services at Aiken Technical College and later at Southeastern Technical College, he was able to proactively develop programs, advise various student organizations and conduct research surveys designed to improve the schools' standards of educational enrichment. Additionally, as an instructor at Augusta Technical College, Dr. Parker played a hands-on role in counseling students, developing curriculum and teaching various classes aimed at improving the prospects of students looking to enter the workforce or acquire new occupational skills.